

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Wolfgang Günter RUCKMANN et al.

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For : LONGITUDINAL FOLDING DEVICE

) Art Unit: 3721

Examiner: Louis B. Tran

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the first Office Action on the merits of April 10, 2003, in the aboveidentified U.S. patent application, please amend the application, as filed, and as amended by the Preliminary Amendment filed April 19, 2002, as follows: